

What is claimed is:

1. A water base ink for ink-jet recording comprising:  
a self-dispersing type pigment;  
water; and  
glycol ether in which a number of carbon atoms of an ethylene oxide moiety is not less than 8.
2. The water base ink for ink-jet recording according to claim 1, wherein the glycol ether is contained by not less than 5 % by weight.
3. The water base ink for ink-jet recording according to claim 1, wherein the glycol ether is tetraethylene glycol butyl ether or tripropylene glycol butyl ether.
4. The water base ink for ink-jet recording according to claim 1, wherein the glycol ether has a solubility in water at 25 °C of not less than 1 %.
5. The water base ink for ink-jet recording according to claim 1, wherein the ink contains no other glycol ether except for the glycol ether in which a number of carbon atoms of an ethylene oxide moiety is not less than 8.
6. The water base ink for ink-jet recording according

to claim 1, further containing 2-pyrrolidone.

7. An ink cartridge comprising the water base ink for ink-jet recording as defined in claim 1.